



Liquid and Frozen Semen

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Mr. Martin E. O'Connor, Chief
Standardization Branch
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Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA
1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 2607-S
Washington, DC 20250

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

Following are comments on December 6, 2005 Agricultural Marketing Swine Genomic Listening Session.

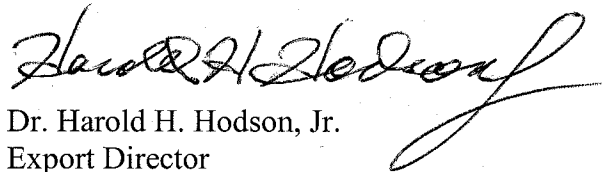
Swine Genetics International has been exporting breeding swine and semen for the past 25 years to over 40 countries around the world. Two items have always been a requirement of these exports.

- 1) Health certificate certified by Federal Veterinarian.
- 2) Certificate of Registry or Pedigree certified by the appropriate breed association.

Swine Genetics International fully supports the stance of the Iowa Pork Producers and Iowa Purebred Swine Council has taken in the attached letter.

The breed association should maintain the sole right to determine breed identify and certification of animals, semen or other products being marketed under the breed name or identify.

Sincerely,



Dr. Harold H. Hodson, Jr.
Export Director